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1. The airfield north of Krasnodar (39°0' E/45°1' N), Krasnodar Krai, was south of an E-W railroad line. A road from the town led, via a right angle turn, to the eastern section of the field. The field, with an E-W runway about 1,000 meters long, was being improved. East and southeast of the field there were three or four partially destroyed hangars, three barracks buildings, a block of new barracks buildings, three other dwellings, and a food supply depot, and a saw mill.

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2. The field was occupied by about 20 IL-2s. These planes, flying in groups of three to six, released bombs near the field.
3. The 1x2 km airfield, north of Krasnodar, was under construction. It had a concrete runway and a railroad connection. Several hangars, five barracks, and two administration buildings, material sheds, and guardhouses were at the field. Three destroyed barracks were not reconstructed. Loading ramp, 80 meters long, was beside the railroad spur track. In September 1947 the field was occupied by 20 to 30 fighters and some twin-engine aircraft.
4. The airfield 3 km north of Krasnodar had two runways, a railroad connection, two stone hangars, a flight control station and a fully occupied four-story barracks building with a large yard. A new officers' club was built in March 1948. There were also six concrete bunkers, occupied by soldiers, on the edge of the field, a saw mill, a joiner's workshop, and a storage depot. The field was occupied by more than 100 single and multi-engine aircraft. Firing at sleeve targets and parachuting was observed.
5. Intensive flying with fighters and individual biplanes was observed daily over a large airfield north of the town. Firing at sleeve targets was practiced from the fighters, flying individually and in formation. Eight to ten parachutists were once seen jumping from a large multi-engine plane.
6. The military airfield, about 1,5x2,5 km north of Krasnodar, was north of a railroad spur track running along the southern edge of the field. Three new buildings were in the eastern section of the field.
7. The airfield was apparently heavily occupied. Single-engine fighters, similar to the Me-109, with in-line engines, rounded wing tips, and retractable landing gear were seen over the airfield. Single-engine fighters of or similar to the FW-190 type with radial engines, angular wings, retractable landing gear; IL-2s; twin-engine Douglas transports with in-line engines, single rudder assembly, and biplanes were also observed. Most of the flying was by fighters, flying individually and in flights of three which were practicing firing at sleeve targets. Four or five parachutists were once seen jumping from a plane.
8. Parachuting from about six twin-engine aircraft was observed over the airfield north of Krasnodar on 20 December 1949. No jet fighters were noticed.

Attachment: Sketch of Krasnodar Airfield

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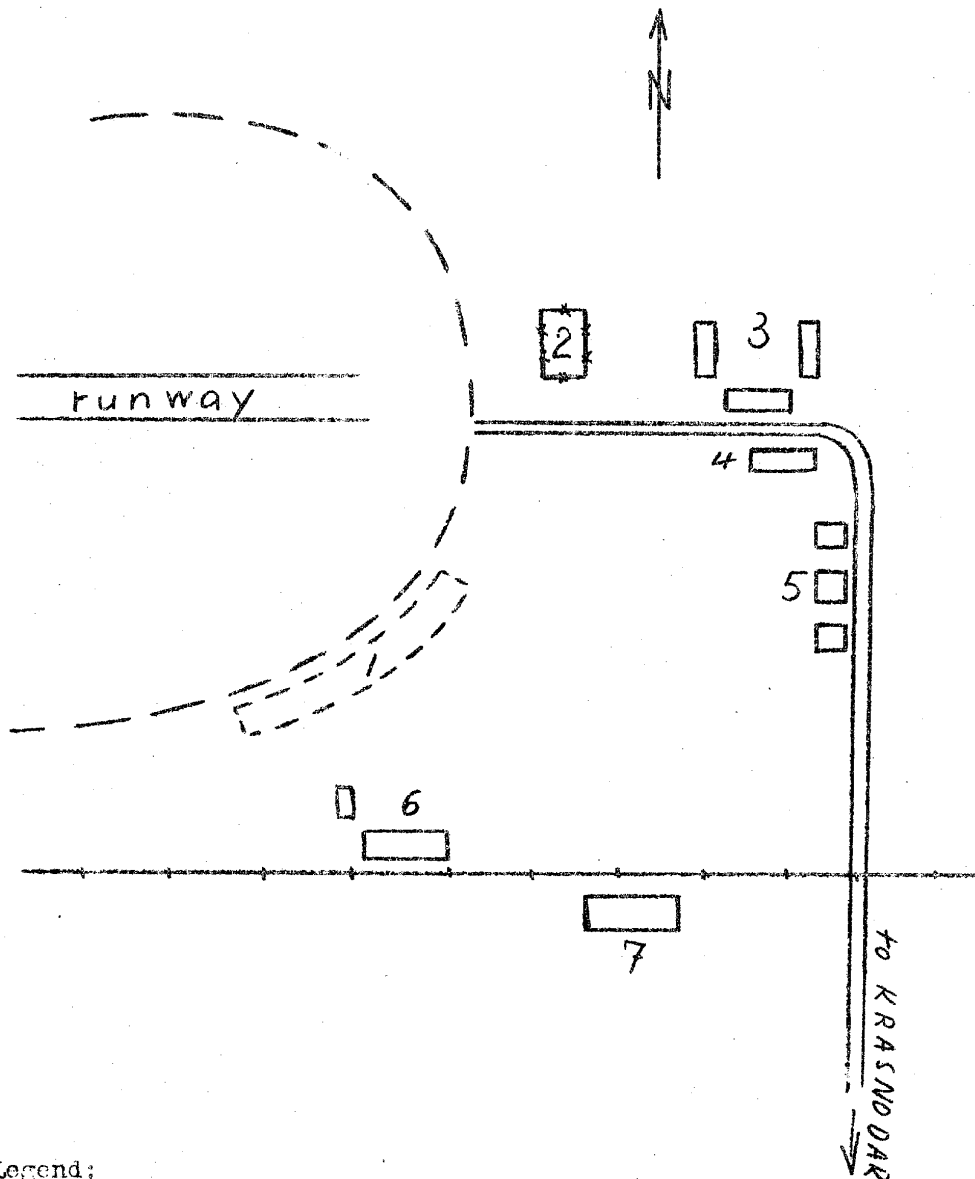
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Krasnodar Airfield



Legend:

- 1 - Hangars partially destroyed
- 2 - PW Camp No 7148
- 3 - Barracks buildings
- 4 - New building
- 5 - Dwellings
- 6 - Saw mill
- 7 - Ration supply depot

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